

ESTEEMED CITIZEN BURNED TO DEATH

Louis Nellis Loses Life in Fire Due To Explosion of a Lamp in His Apartments in Turkey

(From Saturday's Daily.)

One of the most horrible deaths that has ever occurred in this county was that of Thursday night at 11 o'clock, when Louis Nellis, the aged father of L. P. Nellis, was burned to a crisp in a building at Turkey, on the Bradshaw Mountain railroad, by a kerosene lamp explosion in the room while he was asleep. Particulars of the awful tragedy are to the effect that Mr. Nellis had retired earlier in the night, and as was his custom had left the lamp burning on the table near his bed, after retiring. It is believed the oil had burned low, and with the accumulation of gas the explosion resulted, scattering the burning fluid through the small room. Immediately the building was in flames, which was noticed by several Indians camped near by, who gave the alarm. Mr. Nellis, son of the deceased, was among the first to reach the building, but his efforts to rescue and save his father were futile. The intense heat from the building made entry impossible and in a few minutes the structure was burned to the ground.

DEEP DEVELOPMENT FOR HAYNES COPPER

(From Thursday's Daily.)

In speaking yesterday of his recent trip to New York city in the interest of the Haynes Copper company at Jerome, T. E. Campbell conveys the important information that his mission was successful, and he secured financial assistance for conducting large operations for at least sixteen months. It will also be learned with interest that a complete reorganization of the board of directors and management has been effected, and the purpose is to go ahead on a plan that will permit of the greatest exploitation of that desirable property. C. B. Strannahan, the new president and general manager, is the largest domestic producer and importer of iron pyrites in the United States, and feels confident of demonstrating the merits of this well known copper proposition.

In speaking of the mine work to be inaugurated Mr. Campbell says that the main three-compartment working shaft will be sunk 500 feet deeper which will give a depth of 1200 feet. Sufficient development in drifting and crosscutting to definitely prove ore values in the north and west faults will also be prosecuted. The last work on the 700 foot level shows that the primary condition must be reached before big ore bodies can be proven, hence the extensive plan of development.

Incidental to prosecuting the work additional pumping facilities will be introduced and such are now en route from the east. This apparatus is expected to arrive within the next few days and will be placed at once. About two weeks will be occupied in unwatering the mine and in the meantime the camp will be put in condition for operation.

Mr. Campbell expressed himself in a favorable manner yesterday over the outcome of recent negotiations and from his knowledge of the undertaking after many years of an association in directing the work he is confident of the creation of another desirable property in that well known field of bonanza mines.

BLACK RIVER HAS SPLENDID ORE SHOWING

Considerable discussion among miners is going on over the recent discovery of rich gold ore in the mines of the Black River Mining company, near Turkey, on the Bradshaw Mountain railroad. The strike was made a few days ago in the bottom of the main shaft and is free gold in character, running very high. No values were given publicly, but several samples have been received in this city confirming the reports of the rich find. The ore has an average width of one inch. The point of discovery is about 150 feet deep. The ore is the first of the character encountered since operations were started several months ago.

The Black River interests are controlled by residents of Flagstaff in a close corporation. Since beginning work operations have progressed quietly. G. N. Baty, general manager of the company, returned to Flagstaff a few days ago, and is a frequent visitor to the property.

BREAKERS AHEAD FOR STATEHOOD IN SENATE

(By United States Press Association)

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 19.—There have been various rumors as to new features that have risen in connection with the statehood controversy. One report is that the citizens' delegation from Arizona exacted a promise from President Taft to the effect that the enabling act may be so amended as to leave the approval of the constitution entirely in the hands of congress, but this condition has been changed by the latest letter of the President to Mr. Flood. Upon the convening of congress the proper resolutions were introduced for both Arizona and New Mexico, providing for separate admission, but Chairman Flood of the committee on territories, took it upon himself to introduce another resolution which provided for joint admission of the two territories. Mr. Flood's action is in line with the expression of the Democratic majority of the house, and while there will unquestionably be a warm contest in the lower branch of congress, it appears reasonable to suppose that the resolution will meet with favor, particularly upon the part of the majority, and that after a fight it will be passed and sent to the senate, in which body the line of division is very strongly marked. It is in this branch of congress that the real fight will take place. The President will maintain a policy of "hands off."

Just at present New Mexico is passive but what the position of the people in that territory, and their friends in the senate, will be hereafter, will depend upon future events. The question of the recall of judges has been so strongly discussed in the national capital that most of the best informed on-lookers who are generally supposed to form disinterested opinions, generally believe that the United States senate will not approve of the Arizona constitution. There are those, however, who take the opposite view, and assert that the house program as indicated in the resolution of Chairman Flood, will prevail in the senate. It may be, however, noted that most of these people are thoroughly partisan, and are firm believers in the disputed features of the constitution. There has been such a storm of objections, that the only feature in the whole controversy that has been clear since the big fight of March 4th, is the certainty that the whole question is going to be fought out to a definite finish in the halls of congress, independent of the administration. It is known that President Taft and his cabinet have gone over the matter very thoroughly, and that there is absolute opposition to the Arizona constitution in that quarter. Whether the influence of President Taft and his advisors will be used to finally settle the question in the senate, no man can say, but it is certain that the opposition from the Executive and his cabinet has not been and will not be changed. If the Arizona constitution is approved by the senate, most of the people in Washington who keep closely in touch with affairs, will be greatly surprised.

Mining location notices for sale at the Journal-Miner office.

CORDIAL WELCOME FOR PRESCOTT BOOSTERS

(Special to the Journal-Miner)

PHOENIX, Ariz., April 21.—Prescott owns Phoenix tonight, figuratively speaking. Never before has there been such a lavish display of hospitality and such generous whole-souled welcome. It broke out first at Glendale when a telegram was received from Harry Welch, secretary of the Board of Trade, extending a rosy-colored welcome to the excursionists and tendering them the key to the city. Then a representative of the Phoenix Democrat boarded the train and distributed gratis the evening edition containing on the front page in striking headlines a welcome and an account of the entertainment that had been prepared for the boosters.

There were 125 excursionists left Prescott, eighty-nine of them being business men and at Wickenburg another bunch joined the crowd and promptly became attached to booster badges. Over 500 people at the depot greeted the visitors for whom automobiles had been provided. The Indian school band was in evidence and gave a melodious welcome and escorted the big parade up street to the business center where the machines scattered conveying the excursionists either to hotels or residences of friends.

Twenty minutes later the delegates to the Good Roads convention and officers and directors of the Chamber of Commerce went to a banquet given by the City club at the Board of Trade rooms while the other excursionists were given free tickets to the Coliseum. In fact Prescott money is no good in Phoenix tonight and anyone who attempts to spend a cent stands in fear of assassination.

In view of the fact that the Good Roads convention meets tomorrow that subject was the main topic of speeches at the banquet at which J. H. McClintock presided.

In the chairman's opening remarks he evoked a storm of applause when he declared "Prescott is the prettiest natural city in the entire southwest." He commended the enterprise of its citizens and complimented the Yavapai club and the social organizations of the city.

T. G. Norris who was the father of the good roads movement in Arizona was the first speaker. He said that the Yavapai club was itself a good roads commission and he defied anyone to point to any board of trade in the territory that had made such a splendid showing and declared that Yavapai county could always be counted on to cooperate with Maricopa county for good roads between the two counties.

LOOKE REPORTS DEGRANDT GROUP FINANCED

(From Thursday's Daily.)

George Carey and Matt Sullivan, who recently disposed of the Degrandt gold mines near Columbia to Mr. Locke, of Albuquerque, returned to the south yesterday by Crown King. They will start development on other mines immediately in that section. Mr. Locke stated before leaving for the east yesterday that his interests are financed and he will install a mill at once in addition to placing a large force of miners at work. He is anxious to have the matter of wagon road communication acted upon for that district at the earliest date possible which will afford all interests substantial assistance in future operations. Crown King would be the terminal point for shipping by rail, which is distant by wagon road from his camp only seventeen miles. Less than eight miles of road will be necessary to build, and there is a general demand for the highway to be constructed from other mine owners.

INSTALLING MACHINERY

(From Friday's Daily)

The transferring of the 80-horsepower Corliss engine and 60-horsepower boiler from the old Standard mill at Humboldt to the Big Pine Mining company on the Hassayampa, was begun yesterday. The contract for erecting the machinery was secured by Hill Brothers of Humboldt, and while in the city yesterday E. E. Hill stated that the work would be completed by May 1. Mr. Hill also stated that his firm would erect immediately for Kellogg and George at Humboldt a two-ton ice machine and a large cold storage plant for the preservation of meats and vegetables.

Governor Sloan said that the Prescott excursion was a worthy mission. He had been in every portion of the territory and could speak authoritatively. While some sections had as good a climate nine months and fair climate for three months there was one place that had an ideal climate for twelve months—Prescott.

He urged the importance of spending the summer there from a business standpoint.

Every dollar spent in Prescott stays in Arizona while it never gets back when spent in California.

R. N. Fredericks was another Prescott speaker. He said his visit was three-fold:

First—That the summer colony committee may present the advantages of the project.

Second—To lend support to a territorial good roads movement.

Third—To visit the Maricopa Board of Trade and thereby cement the friendly feeling existing between the two organizations.

Continuing Mr. Fredericks said that Maricopa county had accomplished so much that Yavapai concluded to emulate its example.

"Yavapai county always sent larger delegations to the Territorial fair than any other county and there should be reciprocity."

Dr. Flinn then described the summer colony site and the inducements that were offered and was followed by F. M. Murphy who created applause when he announced that he hoped to get his mining interests in such condition that they would be helpful to the territory and remunerative to the men who had invested twelve million dollars in them.

Mr. Murphy said he favored the good roads movement and predicted that with a road to the Grand Canyon and through the Bradshaws that the movement would be the most helpful enterprise ever undertaken in Arizona and would call millions of dollars to the territory. He stated that the Point Lobos railroad would be built and probably would be the means of giving Phoenix terminal rates. Phoenix should also make an effort to get the El Paso and Southwestern, he said.

E. S. Clark was the last of the Prescott delegation to speak and he eulogized the hospitality extended. As to the good roads movement it would benefit the farmer more than any other class.

The banquet tables were decorated with pine cones brought from Prescott and pithy circular letters were distributed by Secretary Fraser whose ability and energy called forth many enthusiastic compliments.

THREE ADMITTED TO PIONEERS' HOME

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Three of the best known Hassayampers in Arizona arrived in Prescott Monday afternoon from Pinal county, and have enrolled their names on the register of the Pioneers Home. They are C. W. Fuller, George Thurston and "Jack" Green.

Mr. Fuller was among the first tillers of the soil in Pinal county, and had considerable difficulty in raising a crop of corn. As fast as it would grow, the Apache would steal it, and he abandoned the industry and enlisted in the good cause to exterminate them.

George Thurston, in early days, was regarded as an excellent accountant, and filled many responsible positions of trust in the south.

Mr. Green has an excellent reputation for honesty and integrity, and in the long years that he served faithfully and efficiently many employers, his name stands without a blemish for exemplary citizenship.

All of the above pilgrims of the Gila entered Arizona in the 60's, and in their day were enterprising citizens.

The roll of the home now shows a total of twenty-three members, and up to date not one has been in the hospital ward.

OLD TIMERS TO MEET.

SASKATOON, Sask., April 21.—Two pugilists who formerly were rated near the top of their class are scheduled to meet tomorrow at the first big boxing bout to be pulled off in Saskatoon. They are Young Peter Jackson, the Baltimore heavyweight, and John Willie of Chicago. The agreement calls for a fifteen round bout.

BIG RECLAMATION PROJECT INDORSED

Dr. Cooke Says no Irrigation Enterprise In Country Has Such Ideal Climatic Conditions or Soil as Fertile

(From Saturday's Daily.)

That the immense reclamation project and water storage undertaking of the Arizona Land and Irrigation Company, is assuming shape was exemplified yesterday when George A. Thayer, representing the company made the first payment to D. M. Wynkoop for the latter's 900 acre tract of land that is to be utilized as the water storage site for the big dam on the lower end of Willow Creek. This movement following the purchase of the 32,000 acres of land mentioned earlier in the week, practically assures the beginning of actual work on this great project, which from a private ownership standpoint is the largest that has ever been started in Arizona.

Mr. Thayer, in speaking of the amount of money his company has already outlaid in the preliminary work, stated that nearly \$50,000 had been disbursed. Since giving publicity to the intentions of the company a few days ago, and after the all important land question had been definitely settled, the company has been very active. Surveys have been run from the proposed diversion dam site on the Fort Whipple military reservation, for the canal that will conserve the waters of Granite Creek during the flood season. This work was finished yesterday, and the distance to the impounding reservoir is two and one-half miles. Another survey is going on from the main storage dam site on Willow Creek for the pipe lines that will traverse the immense acreage to be cultivated, which is estimated at thirty miles, finding an outlet in Lower Chino valley. The diversion dam at Whipple will have a height of about eight feet above the surface of Granite creek, and a width of over 300 feet. At the point selected natural conditions favor the construction of a desirable service.

Mr. Thayer stated yesterday that before three months actual construction of the great project will be inaugurated. Various matters, official and otherwise, are to be considered in the meantime, which will not permit of carrying out the purposes desired until that time. It will be interesting to learn that the company is imbued with the high motives of having a recognized authority at the head of its land reclamation branch to supervise the cultivation of the soil, and has tendered that important office to Dr. V. T. Cooke, director of dry farming of the state of Wyoming, who is in the city at the present time, the guest of the Prescott Chamber of Commerce. Dr. Cooke, as yet, has not given publicity to his intentions but that he may be prevailed upon to tender his invaluable service for at least one year is believed. In speaking of the Arizona Land and Irrigation Company's enterprise after a trip over the lands, he says:

"I know of no irrigation enterprise in any part of the United States where climatic conditions, fertility of the soil, etc., are so nearly ideal as those obtaining under this project so near your doors."

"I can see no reason why the following crops cannot be successfully grown on the soils above referred to: winter wheat, winter rye, spring barley, oats and wheat, emmer, commonly called speltz, alfalfa and alfalfa seed, stock beets, potatoes, field peas, corn, sorghum, Milo maize, Kafir corn, etc., and possibly, winter barley and oats, broom grass and slender wheat grass."

During the present week, several residents of the city have personally inspected the site where the large dam is to be constructed. The location is ideal from an engineering standpoint, and one of the favorable conditions associated with construction work, will be the inexhaustible supply of material available. From a scenic consideration, the attraction will be one of the most alluring in the country. Pinnacles will be seen projecting from the submerged delta, cozy retreats in sheltered nooks will dot a large area, and in addition there will be an open lake of water that is nowhere to be seen in Arizona outside of the Roosevelt proposition. In all the project appeals strongly to all as one that is not only laudable in its purposes, but from a land reclamation standpoint the greatest ever initiated in the history of Arizona.

ROAD TO GRAND CANYON IS STARTED

(From Wednesday's Daily.)

Active road building from Prescott to the county line north of Ash Fork was inaugurated yesterday, Jesse Kelam leaving with the county grading machine, all livestock and a full camp equipment for Patterson's ranch which will be the main working base for a few weeks. D. M. Clark, superintendent, will leave today in his auto to direct the work. The route from Prescott north begins at the pipe line, west of Jerome Junction, and runs thence to Puntene's in lower Big Chino Valley. From that point Patterson's ranch is the next place, and from the latter the route traverses the mesa over an old private road to Ash Fork. From Ash Fork, another old road leads to the county line, distant about forty miles, where Coconino county assumes the task of construction to El Tovar Hotel, on the rim of the Grand Canyon. The new route is expected to be completed within the next six weeks, when the Grand Canyon will be within easy distance of any vehicle. It is reported that public auto service will be inaugurated between Ash Fork and Prescott after the road reaches that point, with a schedule of running time introduced, to accommodate travel on the Santa Fe, either west or east bound.

REPORTS SEVERAL MINE SALES PENDING

(From Thursday's Daily)

George Whittaker, mining man of Big Bug, while in the city yesterday on a brief business visit, stated that the frost of last week acted in a very peculiar manner at his place. The fruit was not disturbed in the least, but all the vegetables in the garden were nipped and nothing in that line will be produced. Heretofore the opposite has been the case. He states that there are pending several mining sales in that district, and he looks for very prosperous times this year. Many miners are also at work and the general situation is better than for some time.

Everything in the market is to be had at Birch Bros.' Restaurant and Cafe.

MONUMENT TO M. J. HICKEY ERECTED

(From Thursday's Daily)

To commemorate the memory of the late Michael J. Hickey, and as a tribute to his exemplary citizenship and generous manhood, a monument was erected in Mountain View cemetery yesterday that is one of the most imposing and beautiful that has ever been received in this city. It is of Colorado granite, highly polished and of fine grade, with suitable inscription, as follows:

"M. J. Hickey, born 1853. Died 1910."

It was erected jointly by Mrs. Hickey and the Woodmen of the World, under the supervision of H. M. Maus, undertaker. A cross surmounts the monument of one foot two inches wide, six inches thick, and one foot eight inches high. The die is two feet six inches wide, one foot thick and three feet high. The base is three feet two inches wide, one foot eight inches thick and one foot four inches high. The total height is over six feet. Extreme care was used in transporting it to this city, and its preparation occupied several weeks, being pronounced by the manufacturers as one of the finest pieces of workmanship for the size ever turned out.

GLOBE THEATER IS DESTROYED BY FIRE

(Special to the Journal-Miner)

GLOBE, Ariz., April 18.—Keen disappointment reigns here tonight in Odd Fellows circles over the destruction by fire today of the Dreamland Theater where a grand ball and reception was to be held in honor of the visiting delegates to the I. O. O. F. grand lodge which has been in session here the last two days. Fortunately no damage was suffered by any of the delegates but the building and its contents are a total loss. The origin of the fire is unknown.

The following grand lodge officers were elected today: A. A. Ferguson, grand master; R. S. Longmorn, deputy grand master; George A. Mintz, grand secretary; J. M. W. Moore, grand warden; P. C. Anderson, grand treasurer; J. A. McClay, W. K. James, grand representatives; N. A. Morford, J. W. Smith and L. E. Rice, grand trustees.